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CENTRAL FAX CENTER****JUL 31 2007**Serial No.: 10/691,115
Docket No.: SK00002C1 (00CXT0656C1)**REMARKS**

Claims 1-27 are pending in the present application. Claims 15-17 and 22-27 are objected to as being dependent on rejected base claims but would be allowable if re-written as independent claims. Claims 11-14 and 18-21 are rejected. In the June 25, 2007 Non-Final Office Action, the Examiner:

1. Allowed Claims 1-10.
2. Rejected claims 11, 13, 14, 18, and 19 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) by U.S. Patent No. 6,300,837 to Sowlati;
3. Rejected claim 21 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by U.S. Patent No. 5,150,076 to Asazawa;
4. Rejected claim 12 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Sowlati;
5. Objected to Claims 15-17 and 22-27 as being dependent on rejected base claims but would be allowable if re-written as independent claims; and
6. Neither rejected, allowed nor objected to claim 20.

In the June 25, 2007 Non-Final Office Action, the Examiner noted that Applicants had not amended claim 11 as claim 1 had been amended in the response to the previous Final Office Action submitted with the RCE filed on May 29, 2007. Applicants have amended independent claim 11 to recite "a constant bias current" instead of "a bias current." Claim 11 is now allowable for the same reasons as claim 1. Therefore, claims 12-14, 18, 19 and 20 are allowable as being dependent on allowable independent claim 11. Claims 15-17 are no longer dependent on a rejected base claim and are therefore allowable.

Independent claim 21 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 22, which the Examiner found allowable if re-written as an independent claim. Claim 22 has been canceled. Claim 21 is therefore allowable.

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CONCLUSION

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-2542. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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